Commanding Officer
1st Battalion, 12th Marines
Welcome Aboard

Aloha and congratulations on your new assignment to 1st Battalion, 12th Marines! Located aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH), Kaneohe Bay, on the beautiful island of Oahu, our battalion has a rich heritage of service in both peace and war. You will soon join our team and help us write the next chapter of our illustrious history. You join us in an exciting time as we, along with the rest of our Corps, are supporting operational commitments around the globe. We eagerly look forward to your future contributions. On behalf of all of our Marines, Sailors and their families, Welcome Aboard!

Your assignment with 1/12 is assured to be career broadening, challenging and professionally rewarding. You will join a phenomenal team, a tremendous group of dedicated professionals who consistently exceed expectations. Shortly after you receive this letter, you will be assigned a sponsor; as a member of the command, your sponsor will work to ensure that your transition onto the island and into the command will be as smooth as possible. There are a number of resources available to assist you in your move. You are urged to consult the MCBH webpage for basic information on the base to include Inbound/Arrival Information and Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) at www.mcbh.usmc.mil and www.mccshawaii.com.

Initially the transition may seem overwhelming, but we have a valuable source of knowledge and information that is available to you and your family in our battalion Family Readiness Officer , Sheldon (Donnie) Comer. I encourage you visit our battalion website or contact him with any concerns or questions you or your family may have. He can be reached by commercial telephone at (808) 257-3221.

I extend to you my personal "Welcome Aboard!"

Michael Roach
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer